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The meeting was called to order at 11.15 a.m.

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ACTION ON DRAFT RESOLUTIONS UNDER ALL DISARMAMENT ITEMS

The CHAIRMAN: This morning the Committee will proceed to take action on one draft resolution - A/C.1/47/L.34.

Before the Committee proceeds to do so, I call on the representative of Togo to introduce draft decision A/C.1/47/L.52.

Mr. AFETO (Togo) (interpretation from French): At the 30th meeting, on 11 November 1992, the Permanent Representative of Togo, Ambassador Pennaneach, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.26/Rev.1, "United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific and United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean". Acting on behalf of the sponsors of the draft resolution, Ambassador Pennaneach laid particular stress on their willingness to continue dialogue and consultations and to consider any constructive proposal likely to lead to consensus on this question.

It is in this spirit of compromise that the sponsors of draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.26/Rev.2, bearing in mind certain parameters, decided unanimously not to put the draft resolution to the vote but, rather, to submit to the Committee for its approval the draft decision contained in document A/C.1/47/L.52, which I have the honour to present on their behalf.

(Mr. Afeto, Togo)

In this draft decision the Secretary-General is requested to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the activities of the regional centres and to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-eighth session the item entitled "Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific and United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean".

The sponsors request the Committee to adopt draft decision A/C.1/47/L.52 without a vote.

The CHAIRMAN: A recorded vote has been requested on draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.34 and a separate, recorded, vote on operative paragraph 8 of that draft resolution.

I call on the Secretary of the Committee.

Mr. KHERADI (Secretary of the Committee): Draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.34, "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" was introduced by the representative of Venezuela at the 24th meeting of the Committee, on 3 November 1992, and it is sponsored by the following countries: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, India, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mexico, Myanmar, the Netherlands, Nigeria, Romania, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, Venezuela and Viet Nam.

As you have said, Mr. Chairman, there will be a separate, recorded, vote on operative paragraph 8 of the draft resolution.

A recorded vote was taken.

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

Against: United States of America

Abstaining: Israel, Japan, Micronesia (Federated States of), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Paragraph 8 of draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.34 was retained by 130 votes to 1, with 4 abstentions.*

The CHAIRMAN: I call on the Secretary of the Committee.

Mr. KHERADI (Secretary of the Committee): The Committee will now proceed to vote on draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.34 as a whole. A recorded vote has been requested.

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* Subsequently the delegation of Saudi Arabia advised the Secretariat that it had intended to vote in favour.

A recorded vote was taken.

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

Against: None

Abstaining: Micronesia (Federated States of), United States of America

Draft resolution A/C.1/47/L.34, as a whole, was adopted by 133 votes to none, with 2 abstentions.*

The meeting rose at 11.25 a.m.

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